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In re Application of:

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Serial Number: 10/708,672

Examiner: Williams, Thomas J.

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONTROLLING BRAKE-STEER IN  
AN AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLE IN A FORWARD AND REVERSE DIRECTION

Attorney Docket No: 81095824 (FGT 1006 PA)

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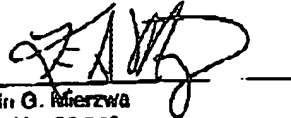
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In response to the Final Office Action dated June 30, 2005, please enter the following amendments and remarks.

36-37, for this teaching. Applicant has reviewed this section and can find no teaching or suggestion of steering wheel torque. In fact, the steering wheel angle and steering system gear ratio is set forth but no steering wheel torque is determined and therefore no modifying brake-steer in response to the steering wheel torque is also set forth. Applicant therefore respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of claim 20.

Likewise, claim 28 is also believed to be allowable for the same reason set forth above since it also recites determining the steering wheel torque. Applicant therefore respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of these claims as well.

In light of the above amendments and remarks, Applicant submits that all rejections are now overcome. Applicant respectfully submits that the application is now in condition for allowance and expeditious notice thereof is earnestly solicited. Should the Examiner have any questions or comments the Examiner is respectfully requested to call the undersigned attorney. Please charge any fees required in the filing of this amendment to Deposit Account 08-1510.

Respectfully submitted,



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